

Appl. No. 09/663,892
Amdt. dated March 31, 2005
Reply to advisory action of January 23, 2005

REMARKS

This is in response to the advisory action of March 23, 2005 and the final office action mailed on January 12, 2005. The final office action rejected Applicant's Claims 11-15 as being anticipated by U.S. Pat. No. 6,314,409 ("Schneck"). The final office action rejected Claims 1-10 as obvious in view of the combination of Schneck and U.S. Pat. No. 5,412,718 ("Narasimhalu"). The final office action allowed Claims 16-39.

With this response, Claims 11-13 have been canceled. Although the Applicant does not believe that these claims are anticipated or obvious in view of the cited prior art, Applicant has canceled them in order to further prosecution at this time and reserves the right to pursue them in a continuation application.

Applicant submits that all pending claims are in condition for allowance.

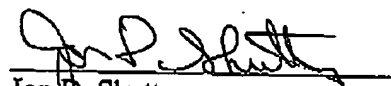
Allowed Claims 16-39

Applicant greatly appreciates the allowance of Claims 16-39.

Conclusions

Applicant submits that all the pending claims in the present application are allowable and that the present application is in condition for allowance. If any issues remain in the present application, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned at the telephone number below.

Respectfully submitted,



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